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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the DD/I (Administration)

SUBJECT: OSI Comments on Draft NIS Concept and
Direction Papers

REFERENCES: a. Concept of the National Intelligence Survey,
2nd Draft, 29 May 1963
b. Direction and Management of the National
Intelligence Survey Program and
Coordination with Other Programs of
Basic Intelligence, 3rd Draft, 29 May 1963

1. With respect to the concept paper, we suggest that the
language in paragraph 5 is quite misleading. "Minimum" should
properly refer to non-essential data and the statement should read,
"maximum essential data."

2. The paper on direction of the NIS program seems to me to
skip over one extremely important aspect of management; namely,
that of consultation with the producing agencies when establishing
production quotas. To make this point I suggest that paragraph 2b
read, "allocates general responsibility for production and maintenance...."
and that paragraph 3c read as follows: "in consultation with the
producing agencies, establish and monitor NIS production and mainte-
nance schedules.

3. The latter point refers to the assignment of certain levels
of production of Section 45 to OSI by the NIS Committee on the basis
of areas to be covered plus what constitutes a reasonable maintenance
cycle. The other production requirements on OSI are at best a tertiary

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consideration in this decision. Yet our budgets, personnel strengths, and other commitments may prove to be the controlling factors in our ability to comply. This needs to be recognized and the scale of effort on the NIS commitment kept in balance with other tasks.

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